Minutes 28 July 2015 Cemetery Board of Trustees Town of Wilton NH

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. with 3 trustees: John Jowders (Chair) Steve Elliot, Mary Ann Shea.

Minutes of the previous meeting (26 May 2015) were reviewed. Motion to accept the minutes as written was made by Steve Elliot, seconded by Mary Ann Shea. All in favor.

REQUEST:

The meeting began with a request from Stanley Young of the Wilton Heritage Commission seeking permission to place historic markers at South Yard Cemetery and Laurel Hill Cemetery. Copies of the planned text for said markers was distributed to the Board. Steve Elliot moved to grant permission for the markers to be placed with wording as presented; Mary Ann Shea seconded. All in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Poly vaults: Still waiting to hear back from Carl Michaud.
- Cremains unclaimed at Michaud-Nelson funeral home: still waiting to hear back from Carl Michaud.
- Cemetery Database training: everyone is pretty busy right now. We would hope to be able to do this after the summer winds down.
- Perpetual Care: We have the list from the Trustees of Trust Funds. Mary Ann will break it down for each cemetery and make lists. John will work on Vale End, Steve on South Yard, Mary Ann on Laurel Hill. The plan is to count total lots (as best we can) and figure out what portion are in perpetual care and a formula for money to come from the Trust Funds. We can share this information with Betty Castro at the August meeting, and get her advice on what would be best to do
- Disinterment: The Bart disinterment is moving forward; paperwork in process. Smith and Heald is handling the details.
- Fox Family: John turned the issue over to the Wilton PD. It does not appear that anything can be done at this late date, and with no definitive information about which lot was originally used for the burial

BUDGET and MAINTENANCE:

A bill was received from the water department for repairs. Steve will check with them, as repairs are usually done by the highway dept.

The expended budget in general looks too low-Steve wondered if something had not been properly charged to the accounts.

Mowing is still ongoing (as usual in the summer months). We still need to decide what to do about replacing an engine on one of the riding mowers-Steve says it would be worth it as the hydraulics are still in good shape, and a full replacement of the machine would be very expensive.

John mentioned that the flagpoles were in tough shape and needed painting. He also asked if the fencing at Laurel Hill could get some attention (scraping/painting). The maintenance crew is pretty busy just keeping up with mowing and general grounds-keeping. Should we hire someone to do the fence, and have the maintenance crew paint the flagpole?

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 25, with Betty Castro of the Trustees of the Trust Funds.

Meeting adjourned around 7:40 p.m.